		Retail Prices	(23-2-90)
Groundnut Oil	(—)10.0 to (—)3.0	3.0 to 6.0	2.0 to 6.0
Mustard Oil	(—)2.0 to (—)1.0	Nil to 4.0	Nil to 1.0
Sesame Oil	(—)4.0 to 1.0	Nil to 5.0	2.0 to 5.0
Vanaspati	(—)8.0 to (—)4.0	(—)3.0 to Nil	Nil to 6.0

(c) The steps taken by the Government to keep the prices under control are as under:—

(i) Monitoring of prices in respect of edible oils/vanaspati.

(ii) All State Governments/UTs have been advised to have strict surveillance on the availability and prices of edible oils and vanaspati.

(iii) Effective supply management of imported oils through PDS.

(iv) State Governments/U.T. Administrations have been advised to procure 30 per cent of vanaspati produced within their jurisdiction for supply through State Government nominees or through Public Dictribution System (PDS).

Production of oilseeds

1414. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what was the estimated production of oilseeds during the years 1987-88, 1988-89 and 1989-90;

(b) what steps were taken to promote production of edible oil and oilseeds during the years; and

(c) what is the target of production for 1990-91 and the 8th Five Year Plan period?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI DEVI LAL): (a) The estimated production of oilseeds during 1987-88 and 1988-89 was 126.5 and 178.9 lakh tonnes respectively.

The final estimates of production of oilseeds for 1989-90 have not yet become due from the States. However, according to the present assessment, the production of oilseeds this year is expected to be around 169 lakh tonnes.

(b) The steps taken by the Government to increase the production of oilseeds during these years are as follows:

1. Implementation of the National Oilseeds Development Project, besides, an Oilseeds Production and Thrust Programme (OPTP) has been introduced with 100 per cent assistance to States for rendering help to oilseeds farmers regarding seed, plant protection and extension of technology.

2. Oilseeds Project of the National Dairy Development Board.

3. Better incentives to producers through fixation of minimum support prices.

4. Intensification of research efforts for increasing the productivity of oilseeds.

5. Increase in area under non-traditional oilseed crops like soyabean and sunflower and exploitation of oilseeds of tree and forest origin, rice bran, etc.

6. Setting up of necessary processing and infrastructural facilities to keep pace with the production programme of oilseeds.

7. Setting up of a Technology Mission on Oilseeds. Oil is imported to fill in demand supply gap.

(c) The production target proposed for the year 1990-91 is 172.4 lakh tonnes. However, targets for the 8th Five Year Plan are yet to be finalised.

Cabinet sub-committee for the implementation and monitoring of the "Bachhawat Award"

1415. SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have appointed a Cabinet sub-committee for implementation and monitoring of the Bachhawat Award; and

(b) if so, what is the progress made by the sub-committee?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) Yes, Sir. The Government have constituted a Committee of Ministers to monitor implementation of the Bachhawat Wage Board recommendations.

(b) All States/Union Territories have been asked to furnish the latest position on the implementation of the recommendation by major newspaper establishment in their States for the consideration of the Committee.

Funds for self employment schemes for youths

1416. SHRI P. N. SUKUL: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to refer to the reply to Unstarred Question 554 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 16th March, 1990 and state:

(a) the funds allocated for the various self employment schemes for youths; and

(b) the number of youths expected to be covered under the above schemes during next year and during the next Plan as a whole?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) and (b) The latest available information is given in the enclosed statement. [*See* Appendix CLIII, Annexure No. 63].

Opening of CGHS dispensary in Vasant Vihar

1417. SHRI SOHAN LAL DHUSIYA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any request has been received by the Directorate of Estates from CGHS for allotment of four type 'C' quarters for opening of CGHS dispensary in Vasant Vihar, CPWD Complex; and

(b) if so, by when the quarters are likely to be allotted for opening such a dispensary?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Such requests are decided on the basis of priority etc., so it is not possible to indicate any time limit.

White paper on the housing situation

1418. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a persistent demand for a White Paper on the housing situation in the country; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to bring out White Paper on the housing situation in the country?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) and (b) Action Plan announced by the Government in stages to operationalise the National Housing Policy for different sections of the society with programmes oriented towards the poor and [illegible] housing finance structure. The Policy document will be finalised after wide consultation and will be placed before the Parliament.